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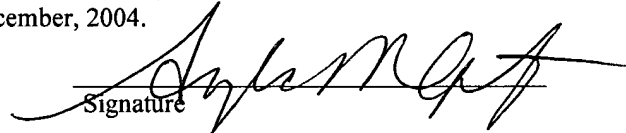
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- Information Disclosure Statement
- PTO Form 1449 (with necessary references)
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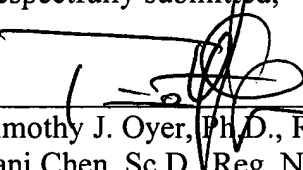
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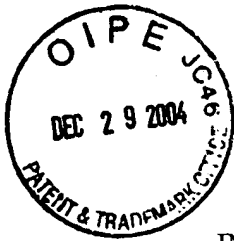
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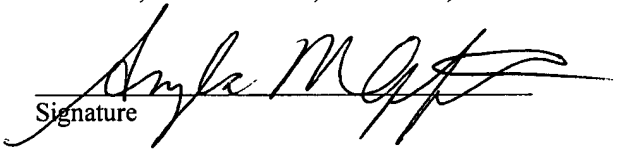
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**STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF  
DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98**

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

**PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97**

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed more than three months after the filing date of this application and after the mailing date of the first Office Action, but before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in this application.

The fee of \$180.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is enclosed.

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PART II: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application.

The above-identified U.S. application claims priority to application Serial No. PCT/US01/26293. If the Examiner has not had the benefit of review of the file history of PCT/US01/26293, then he/she is asked to contact the undersigned, who will provide a copy of same.

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following other information, whose relevance is discussed in Part III below:

PART III: Explanation of Non-English Language References and Remarks Concerning Other Information Cited

The following is a concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified):

Several non-English language documents are submitted. A partial translation of each is provided, from sources indicated. The Applicants do not concede to the accuracy of any of these partial translations, but are not aware of any inaccuracies.

PART IV: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;

3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

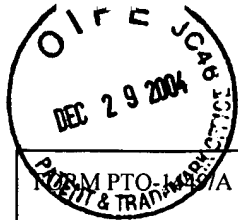
An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

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#### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner's Initials	Cite No.	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication or of issue of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY
		Number	Kind Code		
	A1	3,242,186		Samuel Dershowitz	03/22/1966
	A2	6,783,814		Swager, et al.	08/31/2004

#### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner's Initials	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document (not necessary)	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Translation (Y/N)
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	B1	DE	4121138		Wilharm, Peter	01/07/1993	
	B2	DE	4121139		Wilharm, Peter	01/07/1993	
	B3	EP	581058		Wilharm, et al.	07/05/1993	

#### OTHER ART — NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner's Initials	Cite No	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS) title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, relevant page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	Translation (Y/N)	
	C1	Akutsu, et al., PREPARATION AND PROPERTIES OF SOLUBLE AROMATIC POLYAMIDES DERIVED FROM 2,7-TRIPTYCENEDICARBONYL DICHLORIDE, Polymer Journal, 1998, Vol. 30, No. 3, pp. 265-268.		
	C2	Akutsu, et al., SYNTHESIS AND PROPERTIES OF NOVEL POLYARYLATES AND POLY(ETHER ETHER KETONE)S DERIVED FROM 2,7-TRIPTYCENEDIOL, Polymer Journal, 1997, Vol. 29, No. 12, pp. 1023-1028.		

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\*a copy of this reference is not provided as it was previously cited by or submitted to the office in a prior application, Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, and relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120 (continuation, continuation-in-part, and divisional applications).